



The Spirit

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Dillon Preschool Celebrates 50 Years

Mary McManus

At a formal program slated for Sunday, October 28th at 2:00 P.M. in the auditorium, St. Joseph's College will commemorate the 50th anniversary of its laboratory preschool. Former faculty, parents, students, Child Study majors, not to mention present staff and parents are expected to attend the celebration, which will include: an explanation of the concept of a laboratory preschool within a campus setting, charting of the growth of the preschool throughout its 50 years, highlights of the school's past and present via photographs and slide presentations, and tours of the Dillon Center facility. The day will end with refreshments.

The director of the Dillon Child Study Center, Sr. Helen Kearney, mentioned that the building referred to simply as "Dillon" is only 17 years old. The original preschool, begun in 1934 under the direction of the late Msgr. William T. Dillon (second president of St. Joseph's College), was held in the basement of the 245 Building in what is now the

U.A. Council meeting room. Ms. Margaret Gardiner was the first preschool teacher. Subsequently another class was added, necessitating the use of a room on the second floor. (The flat "roof" that abuts the building and can be seen from some of the windows on the second floor, was an outdoor play area for the children). Education and psychology majors at the college, observed and worked with the children enrolled in the preschool, as Child Study majors are required to do today. In 1967 the Dillon Child Study Center was erected, now the present side of the school.

The influence of the campus preschool extends

beyond the college community, as it has served as a model for other early childhood education facilities in both Brooklyn and Queens. Throughout its 50 years, the staff has involved itself in the field of education - Sr. Margaret Shea (Director 1942-1980) and Sr. Alice Frances Young were active in the public education program for young children, **Head Start**. The laboratory or observational setting aspect of the preschool at St. Joseph's has allowed students in higher education, as well as parents, teachers, and psychologists, the opportunity to study the behavior of children in early childhood.



Dillon Child Study Center

St. Joseph's Fun Run

by Kip Hadley

On Sunday Oct. 21, St. Joseph's will hold its first annual Fun Run, to benefit the American Cancer Society.

The 3.1 mile run is sponsored by private and business institutions including: Citibank, Manufacturers Hanover Trust and Budweiser which donated financial support, T-shirts and runners numbers respectively.

Trophies will be awarded to the first through third place finishers and free T-shirts will be given to all. Entrance fees of \$5.00 must be postmarked by 10/16. After that date the cost is \$6.00.

Raymond Cashman, Co-Chairperson of the Fun Run Committee stated that, "The idea of the event came from an alumnus of SJC; Melissa Marchesi." He continued, "She felt, most alumni activities weren't aimed at the most recent graduates, but more for older members." He added, "and with the running 'craze', the fun run is something we can all enjoy." Cashman further stated, "this is going to be a separate event from student activities & monies are coming mainly from private funds and the business sector."

The run will begin at 10:00 A.M. in front of the "245" building and will continue through the Clinton Hill-Ft.

Greene section of Brooklyn. Entrants are reminded to "dress to run" and any further information can be obtained by contacting co-chairperson Marybeth Radday, Shawn McCormack and Ray Cashman. Their mailboxes are located in the "Red Room".



Cafeteria Service Continued Students Examine Pros and Cons

by Jacqui Steele

In the September edition of The Spirit, Sr. George had reported that the cafeteria service had been discontinued by the contractors due to a lack of profits. Now that Sherrie Van Arnam has managed to reopen the cafeteria with a relatively new operation. St. Joseph's students voice their complaints in hope that the service will improve in time.

Students with whom I have spoken have some complaints about the high prices, the slow service and the small selection. They would like nothing more than to see a cleaner cafeteria.

The students maintain that this new cafeteria compares unfavorably with the old, though even that had been nothing to write home about.

One wonders though, what our quota of complaints might be per semester. For those who have been in St. Joe's long enough to survive the vending machines, we want to think twice about jeopardizing our new cafeteria.

The college had owned and operated the cafeteria for several years before vending machines were put in...and what a disaster that turned out to be. The vending machines were removed and in their place was the new cafeteria, which had been owned by the Navin Brothers.

The Navin Brothers is a large firm that was contracted by St. Joe's to operate the cafeteria for a year. But after a year of relatively average service they decided, by mutual agreement with the College, to terminate. The main

reason for their decision according to Sherrie Van Arnam was that they were used to much higher volumes and catering to such small numbers at St. Joe's was not turning to profit. They were also faced with internal managerial problems which were not related to St. Joe's. The Navins could not be reached for comment.

Now it is the Fall of '84 and the new cafeteria is off to a somewhat shaky start.

This is owned by George Henry, a former deli and supermarket owner. His deli and supermarket were located in Greenpoint, where he sold out, in order to start his cafeteria business. Mr. Henry, who has never been in the cafeteria business before, says that this is basically a matter of trial and error. (One hopes that too many errors are not caused by from his trials).

"I intend to take it one semester at a time." Mr. Henry says. But he maintains that he is open for suggestions and intends to have a wider selection of hot foods soon...but right now he is short staffed, which makes it difficult for him to reach his vendors. When asked whether or not he was turning to profit, he smiled the smile of a man who is supremely pleased with himself.

"Yes," he said, there would be some profit."

Perhaps our less vital complaints should be put on the back burner as we give the new cafeteria a chance to get on its feet. Already the cafeteria seems to be showing a great deal of improvement, thus Mr. Henry is beginning to make good on all his promises.

EDITORIAL

BUDGET 84/85

UPCOMING EVENTS

by Linda Perez

Our New Cafeteria Service

Although the new cafeteria service, owned by George Henry, is off to a rather shaky start due to inexperience, it would be wise for students to take advantage of its services.

Since we are a small college, many vendors feel they will suffer a reduction in buyers, as was the case with the former cafeteria operators, the Navin Brothers. Some of the reasons why the last cafeteria operators failed were because profits were low and they were not used to dealing with such a small amount of consumers.

Since many cafeteria service's operate on a large scale basis, students at St. Joseph's should support our cafeteria in order to make it financially worthwhile for the operators to continue. Not only should we recommend that improvements in food, service and cleanliness be instituted, we should also do our part by throwing away trash in the proper receptacles. This insures that the cafeteria remains sanitary. It also shows that we have a regard for our fellow students, who have a right to enjoy their meals in a clean cafeteria.

It is up to the student body to do all it can to insure the existence and success of our new cafeteria. With vending machines and bag lunches as the alternatives, the cafeteria service looks better all the time.

New Additions to St. Joe's

The opening of the fall semester at St. Joseph's brought forth several new clubs and the revival of some old ones. Please give your support to the Cooking Club, Computer Club, and Chorus. These are fine additions to the college and coordinators should be rewarded for their efforts in creating them. Congratulations also to the Psychology Club for the great success of their first fair which was held September 28. The clubs and the individuals involved in them offer inspiration for other clubs throughout the year to reflect St. Joseph's at its best.

A LETTER FROM THE U.A. TREASURER

Dear Students,

The following is the U.A. Treasurer's report showing all money allocations for school year 1984 - 85. Please keep in mind that any event sponsored by the U.A., such as mixers, swamps, Bar-B-Ques, etc., and all purchases, such as the new beer cooler/tap and the proposed VCR/projection screen television, come out of the remaining U.A. funds. Some events such as Senior Week and 101 Nites have not yet been budgeted because in the past, these events were run with any remaining money in the U.A. account in the Spring semester. This year I would like to have the budgets made out to prevent lack of funds for these important events. The Italian Club has submitted a budget to the U.A. as of September 26, 1984, and as yet, it has not been approved by Senate. If you have any questions about financial transactions or procedures within the U.A. account, feel free to approach me.

Respectfully submitted,
Zareh Artinian, Jr.
U.A. Treasurer



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	Fall	Spring
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Cola	35	35
Cooking Club	132	130
Folk Group	75	0
Dance Club	400	1025
Los Amigos	40	65
Phi Mu	15	98
Campus Ministry	10	30
Special Programs	350	350
Gaelic Society	40	170
Math Club	30	30
Political Affairs		45
Photography Club	175	225
Science Club	100	75
Footprints	5000	500
"Spirit"	900	0
Psychology		220
Freshman Orientation	564.50	
minus Administration donation of 300 dollars		
U.A. total cost	256.50	
Barn Dance (Loss)	135	
Special Purchases (Tap)	250	
Remaining U.A. Funds	6,643.50	
Allocated funds	15,356.50	

KEEP IN MIND:

VCR/ projection television estimate \$2600 - 3100

Italian Club requested total budget 310

Boutique initial outlay 636

income thus far 335

Video Game estimate \$50 every two weeks income

Total Student Activities Fee \$ 22,000.00

Congratulations

Dear Editor:

Congratulations to the staff of "The Spirit". Your first issue in September was a very promising start and I look forward to future issues.

The newspaper is an important part of student life because it informs and serves the entire college community. In addition, it provides a creative outlet to any student interested in working on the paper, through writing, editing, or business experiences.

It has been some time since we have produced a well-organized, coherent newspaper. Let's show some support for "The Spirit" and encourage its future!

Sherrie VanArnam

Director of Student Activities

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There will be many great events taking place during this month of October.

On October 12th, Conocimiento Latino (COLA) held a Film Night which was held in the Rec room at 6:30 p.m. On the 19th, the Gaelic Society will hold a meeting which is scheduled to start at 4:15 p.m. At this meeting a special speaker will be present. Also on the 19th from 6 to 8 p.m. the Chapel Players will be having a SWAMP. Former graduates are also invited to attend. On the 21st there will be a Fun-Run which is sponsored by the Undergraduate Association. The three mile walk/run is being held to raise money for the American Cancer Society. On the 22nd the Cooking Club will be sponsoring their "Sundae and Monday" ice cream sale. It will be held at 12 noon in the Red room. On the 24th there will be a Common Hour held in the auditorium on "Alcohol Awareness". It is scheduled to begin at 1:10 p.m. Then last but not least there will be a "Halloween mixer" on October 26th sponsored by the Psychology Club and Los Amigos. It will be held in the auditorium and it will start at 8:00 p.m. and end at 12 midnight. Be sure not to miss these fantastic events!

Leave Your Writing Fears Behind.. in The Writing Lab

Has the chill of fear struck you when a professor assigned a writing task? Have you ever wrestled with the elusive semi-colon, the dancing comma, or the dreaded dash? Does the title "Term Paper" give you an attack of nerves? If so, the writing lab is for you!

Writing lab meets in the Room B, third floor Library at times listed below:

Monday=1-2 p.m.

Tuesday=8:30-9:30 a.m.

Wednesday=1-2 p.m.

Thursday=2-3 p.m.

At the times specified above, a member of the English Department will be available to analyze your writing problems, dissect sentences, paragraphs, essays, and synthesize a better writing style in specific writing assignments.

Faculty Update

An Interview with the New Director of Admissions

by Dorothy Birch

The Spirit would like to welcome to the administration of St. Joe's Mr. Vincent Marzullo, the new Director of Admissions. Mr. Marzullo's background is quite extensive. He has attended Providence College and Harvard University. He was the President of ATU Incorporated, the Director of Employee Training in New Employee Training in Newark, New Jersey and the Director of Energy Conservation in Rhode Island. He was also the candidate for Lieutenant Governor in Rhode Island in 1978. Mr. Marzullo also was the Republican candidate for Governor of Rhode Island in 1982. Because of his involvement

in the Republican Party, he has become a friend of President Reagan.

With such a prestigious background most people would ask why Mr. Marzullo came to St. Joseph's. Mr. Marzullo, who has worked on very large projects for the last ten years, felt that he "should concentrate on smaller projects that were much more worthwhile." He has also felt that working on smaller projects was more rewarding. He feels that his background, which has dealt greatly with public relations, is applicable to working with admissions.

This seems to be true. Mr. Marzullo has had great success with admissions for this school year. Admissions from last year were up 16% with 110 new students this year. He hopes to increase admissions in the 85-86 school year up to 125 students, maybe more, since St. Joe's does have room for up to 150 new students.

Mr. Marzullo suggests that St. Joe's be more aggressive when dealing with admissions: "We could increase enrollment by being more visible at high schools and college fairs." He also

suggests that the college could follow up more on student inquiries about St. Joe's. He also hopes that more of St. Joe's students will become involved with the admissions office. Mr. Marzullo is going to push for more campus tours which give a prospective student a better look at St. Joe's and what the college is all about.

Mr. Marzullo enjoys his new job and meeting the student body. He calls the students. "An upbeat, bright group of people who are very warm and positive." The faculty is also "open and supportive." He believes that most people living in New York City would be surprised by the positive attitude and friendliness present at St. Joe's.

Thank you for the compliments Mr. Marzullo and welcome to SJC!

A New Chorus for St. Joe's

by Dawn Tzimirotas and Colleen Ryan

Colleen Ryan, a freshman here at St. Joseph's, is scaling the school for men and women who sound off from a sour note to a C sharp. If you don't know what a chord is or you are a virtual virtuoso, no matter, come harmonize with the chorus. Colleen has a great love for singing and expressed an interest in forming a chorus upon entering St. Joseph's. Colleen soon found out that quite a few people were interested, and now membership is up to approximately twenty-five.

The newly formed group is presently in the process of making a Constitution. The chorus has planned a Christmas Show in conjunction with the Dance club at which there will be a live Nativity scene and many Christmas songs. The tentative date for this Christmas event is December 5 during the Common Hour. A Spring Concert is also planned for later in the year.

Colleen says that her highest hopes for this club are to share song, the voice of the heart, lighten the day to day burdens of life, and just to plain have fun.

Meetings are Thursday morning from 8 a.m.-9 a.m. and special meetings will be listed on the main bulletin board. If you are at all interested in joining the chorus, please contact



Mr. Marzullo chats with Pres. Reagan

Citizen's Award Presented at Dinner Dance

by Darrell Dacosta

On October 12, 1984 John J. Evans was awarded the 1984 Distinguished Citizen's Award. The presentation was made at St. Joseph's Second Annual Dinner Dance.

Mr Evans is presently Vice President of the board of Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company. He is the director of at least three other organizations one of which is the National Genetics Foundation and he also serves as treasurer of the Cathedral Chapter, Diocese of Long Island.

Mr. Evans is a graduate of Wesleyan University and has attended New York University and the Wisconsin School of Banking. He is familiar with the needs of students and he has shown concern for the goals of higher education. The Dinner Dance has proved to be the biggest fund raiser for St. Joseph's scholarship program.

St. Joseph's College is proud to celebrate Mr. Evans' accomplishments and in doing so the contributors will open doors to benefactors of the future.



Mr. Robert Isban, Honorary Vice Chairman of the Dinner Dance, Sherrie VanArnam, Ray Cashman, and Mr. John Evans, Award Recipient.

Colleen Ryan. On a final note, if you don't like to sing but love to listen, come and support this new club in it's future events.

Freshman/New Students Barbecue

by Brian Kieran

Our Freshmen/New Students Barbecue this year was an unparalleled success. It was held on September 7. The warmth of this late, lazy summer afternoon was matched by the friendliness of everyone gathered. The fires were lit and the kegs were tapped by enthusiastic volunteers.

Many freshmen took advantage of this opportunity to meet the upper classmen and the faculty at St. Joe's. In fact, the whole school was well represented at this festive event. Everyone ate and drank soda at a phenomenal rate. The proper mood for socializing was created, as friendships were renewed and acquaintances made at the barbecue.

The main event turned out to be a valley ball game. Many players were involved in the game which was so filled with action, that it held

the attention of those at the barbecue. Every once in a while fresh players took the place of exhausting, perspiring participants. Everyone involved left the match satisfied and content. The barbecue owes its success to the many volunteers who organized the afternoon and to the Undergraduate Association for its sponsorship.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

A number of clubs and departments have plans for exciting events in the next few months. Here's a partial listing - but be sure to check bulletin boards for more information and come on in to Common Hour on Wednesdays at 1:10!

- October 24 - Alcohol Awareness Film
- October 31 - Phi Mu
- November 7 - English Department Lecture
- November 14 - Science Club Lecture
- November 21 - Dance Club
- November 24 - Gaelic Society
- December 5 - Special Programs
- December 12 - Sophomore Christmas Day

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